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FROM US REP ICAO

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SUBJ: ICAO DIPLOMATIC CONFERENCE - EXTRAORDINARY ASSEMBLY

1. THERE WAS AN INFORMAL LUNCH ON 5 APRIL HOSTED BY NAKANO (JAPAN) FOR BONDUELLE (FRANCE) AND SELFON (US).

2. DURING GENERAL DISCUSSION ON WARSAW/ GUATEMALA BONDUELLE STATED THAT US WAS INTERESTED MOST OF ALL IN CONVENTION ON AIR SECURITY. ON THE OTHER HAND, BONDUELLE SAID FRANCE WAS MOST INTERESTED IN RATIFICATION AND COMING INTO FORCE OF GUATEMALA PROTOCOL. BONDUELLE STATED THAT IF U. S. MADE INTENTION TO RATIFY CLEAR BY SUBMISSION OF GUATEMALA PROTOCOL TO SENATE THEN FRANCE WOULD BE MORE DISPOSED TO ACCEPTING INDEPENDENT CONVENTION ON AIR SECURITY. HE QUOTE UNOFFICIALLY END QUOTE PROPOSED AN QUOTE EXCHANGE END QUOTE OF U. S. RATIFICATION OF GUATEMALA PROTOCOL FOR FRENCH COOPERATION AND RATIFICATION OF INDEPENDENT CONVENTION ON AIR SECURITY. SELFON MADE NO COMMENT.

COMMENT: BOUDUELLE WAS NOT PRESENT AT SPECIAL WASHINGTON SUBCOMMITTEE OR MONTREAL LEGAL COMMITTEE MEETINGS. HOWEVER, HE PREFACED REMARKS BY CLAIMING KNOWLEDGE OF AND PARTICIPATION IN INTERNAL FRENCH DELIBERATIONS ON AIR SECURITY CONVENTION AND INDICATED LIKELIHOOD OF HIS PRESENCE AT ROME DIPLOMATIC CONFERENCE - EXTRAORDINARY ASSEMBLY. AS RATIONALE, BONDUELLE
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STATED THAT FRANCE IS HAVING SOME POLITICAL DIFFICULTY NOW
BECAUSE OF DOMESTIC ACCIDENT AND THE CURRENT WARSAW/ HAGUE LIMIT
IS MAKING PASSENGER RECOVERY INADEQUATE. FRANCE HAS MADE WARSAW
ITS DOMESTIC LAW AND BONDUELLE STATED THAT GUATEMALA LIMIT
WOULD BE QUOTE SATISFACTORY END QUOTE.
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